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## Name a C-130 contest 12 finalists announced

CHEYENNE - The Wyoming Air National Guard's nameless C-130s will be named on June 6. Gov. Freudenthal will randomly choose among the following: Edgerton, Green River, Jackson, LaGrange, Lander, Lusk, Mountain View, Newcastle, Saratoga, Thermopolis, Upton and Worland.

During the Name a C-130 contest, Wyoming residents nominated 56 towns and cast a total of 7,405 votes in order to name the four additional C-130s the Wyoming Air National Guard is to have on its ramp in the next year.

Three finalists for each aircraft were chosen based on the number of entries received in each quadrant of the state. Northeast quadrant finalists are Upton, Newcastle, and Edgerton. Northwest quadrant finalists are Thermopolis, Worland, and Jackson. Southeast quadrant finalists are LaGrange, Saratoga, and Lusk. Southwest quadrant finalists are Green River, Lander, and Mountain View.

Freudenthal will pull the winning entry from a helmet containing each quadrants' finalists during his weekly news conference.

"Wyoming has a rich and proud tie to the military, which was evident by the overwhelming number of nominations received," Maj. Gen. Ed Wright, Wyoming's adjutant general, said. "All of the finalists will make excellent additions to our C-130 fleet."

The eight C-130s currently operated by the Wyoming Air National Guard are dedicated to the cities of: Cheyenne, Sheridan, Cody, Riverton, Laramie, Casper, Guernsey, and Rock Springs.